## CSC263 Assignment #2

You are allowed to work in a group of at most 3 members, and make one submission as a group. You should clearly write names of all group members in the first page of your submission. Everyone in the same group will get the same marks. Please read and understand the policy on Academic Honesty on the course website. Then, to protect yourself, list on the front of your submission every source of information you used to complete this homework (other than your own lecture and tutorial notes). For example, indicate clearly the name of every student with whom you had discussions, the title and sections of every textbook you consulted (including the course textbook), the source of every web document you used (including documents from the course webpage), etc.

For each question, please write up detailed answers carefully. Make sure that you use notation and terminology correctly, and that you explain and justify what you are doing. Marks will be deducted for incorrect or ambiguous use of notation and terminology, and for making incorrect, unjustified, ambiguous, or vague claims in your solutions.

## 1. (10 points) AVL Insert/Delete.

(a) (4 points) Write pseudocode for a procedure <u>Balance</u>(root, x), which takes a subtree rooted at x whose left and right subtrees are balanced (subtrees rooted at x.left and x.right are both AVL trees), and have heights that differ by at most 2, i.e.,  $|x.right.height - x.left.height| \le 2$ , and alters the subtree rooted at x to be an AVL tree.

As given in class, the attributes of each node x includes: key, parent, left, right, height, bf (balance factor). You are allowed to use the procedures we defined in class directly, such as RightRotate(root, x), LeftRotate(root, x), etc. Do not fix the balanceness of x.parent or other ancestors yet; you will do this in the next questions.

- (b) (3 points) Write the pseudocode for <u>AVLInsert</u>(root, x) to insert a new node x to an AVL tree rooted at root.
- (c) (3 points) Write the pseudocode for  $\underline{\text{AVLDelete}}(root, x)$  to delete a node x in an AVL tree rooted at root.

#### 2. (10 points) Augmenting AVL Tree.

Let  $a_1, a_2, ..., a_n$  be a sequence of real numbers, for n > 1. (The numbers are in arbitrary order.) A **SeqSet** is an ADT which stores the sequence and supports the following operations:

- PartialSum(S, m): return  $a_1 + a_2 + ... + a_m$ , the partial sum from  $a_1$  to  $a_m$  ( $1 \le m \le n$ ).
- Change (S, i, b): change the value of  $a_i$  to a real number b.

Design a data structure that implements SeqSet, using an *augmented AVL tree*. The worst-case running time of both <u>PartialSum</u> and <u>Change</u> must be in  $O(\log n)$ . Describe your design by answering the following questions.

- (a) (2 points) What is the key of each node in the AVL tree? What other attributes are stored in each node?
- (b) (5 points) Write the pseudocode of your PartialSum operation, and explain why your code works correctly and why its worst-case running time is  $O(\log n)$ . Let *S.root* denote the root node of the AVL tree. *Hint: This pseudo-code can be very similar to that of an operation in the textbook, which one is it?*

(c) (3 points) Describe in clear English how your Change operation works, and explain why it runs in  $O(\log n)$  time while maintaining the attributes stored in the nodes of the AVL tree.

## 3. (5 points) The Division Method of Hashing.

Consider a version of the division method in which  $h(k) = k \mod m$ , where  $m = 2^p - 1$  and k is a character string interpreted in radix  $2^p$ .

For an example of interpreting a character string as an integer expressed in suitable radix notation, we might interpret the string "pt" as the pair of decimal integers (112, 116), since "p" = 112 and "t" = 116 in the ASCII character set; then, expressed as a radix-128 integer, "pt" becomes  $112 \times 128 + 116 = 14452$ .

Prove that if we can derive string x from string y by permuting its characters, then x and y hash to the same value.

# 4. (5 points) Deletion in Open-Address Hashing.

As described in class, when we delete a key from a slot in an open-address hash table, we simply mark the slot by storing the special value DELETED (instead of NIL). This question asks you to implement this idea.

- (a) (4 points) Write the pseudocode of  $\underline{\text{HashSearch}}(T, k)$  and  $\underline{\text{HashInsert}}(T, k)$  by modifying the ones we gave in class.
- (b) (1 point) Write pseudocode for  $\underline{\text{HashDelete}}(T, k)$  to delete key k from hash table T. (You need to call  $\underline{\text{HashSearch}}$  to find the slot where k is stored.)

# 5. (10 points) Longest-Probe Bound for Hashing

Suppose that we use an open-addressed hash table of size m to store  $n \le m/2$  items.

- (a) (2 points) Assuming uniform hashing, show that for i = 1, 2, ..., n, the probability is at most  $2^{-k}$  that the *i*th insertion requires strictly more than k probes.
- (b) (3 points) Show that for i = 1, 2, ..., n, the probability is  $O(1/n^2)$  that the *i*th insertion requires more than  $2\log(n)$  probes.

Let the random variable  $X_i$  denote the number of probes required by the *i*th insertion. You have shown in part (b) that  $\Pr[X_i > 2\log(n)] = O(1/n^2)$ . Let the random variable  $X = \max_{1 \le i \le n} \{X_i\}$  denote the maximum number of probes required by any of the *n* insertions.

- (c) (3 points) Show that  $\Pr[X > 2\log(n)] = O(1/n)$ .
- (d) (2 points) Show that the expected length E[X] of the longest probe sequence is  $O(\log n)$ .

# 6. (10 points) Find k-th Element

The problem of finding the k-th element is that, given an unsorted array to A[1...n], find the k-th element when all the elements are sorted. The problem finding the median is a special case of this problem for  $k = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ .

Consider the following idea on finding the *k*-th element (called <u>RandSelect</u>):

- Randomly pick an element as the pivot.
- Partition the array around the pivot (same as the partitioning in quick sort, with the pivot in the middle, smaller elements in the left part, and larger elements in the right part).
- Let *l* be the index of the pivot:
  - If l = k, return the pivot;
  - If l < k, recurse to find the (k l)-th element in the right part
  - If l > k, recurse to find the k-th element in the left part

In this problem, we use indicator random variables to analyze the <u>RandSelect</u> procedure in a manner akin to our analysis of <u>RandQuickSort</u> in class.

As in the quicksort analysis, we assume that all elements are distinct, and we rename the elements of the input array A as  $z_1, z_2, ..., z_n$ , where  $z_i$  is the ith smallest element. Thus, the call RandSelect(A, 1, n, k) returns  $z_k$ .

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For 1 \le i < j \le n, let X_{iik} = I\{z_i \text{ is compared with } z_i \text{ some time during the execution of the algorithm to find } z_k\}.
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That is,  $X_{ijk}$  is an indicator variable such that  $X_{ijk} = 1$  if  $z_i$  is compared with  $z_j$  some time during the execution of the algorithm to find  $z_k$ , and  $X_{ijk} = 0$  otherwise.

- (a) (2 points) Give an exact expression for  $E[X_{ijk}]$ . (Hint: Your expression may have different values, depending on the values of i, j, and k.)
- (b) (2 points) Let  $Y_k$  denote the total number of comparisons between elements of array A when finding  $z_k$ . Show that

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_k] \le 2 \left( \sum_{i=1...k} \sum_{i=k...n} [1/(j-i+1)] + \sum_{i=k+1...n} [(j-k-1)/(j-k+1)] + \sum_{i=1...k-2} [(k-i-1)/(k-i+1)] \right)$$

- (c) (2 points) Show that  $\mathbf{E}[Y_k] \leq 4n$ .
- (d) (2 points) Conclude that, assuming all elements of array A are distinct, RandSelect runs in expected time O(n).
- (e) (2 points) What is the worst case running time for RandSelect. Justify your answer.